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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

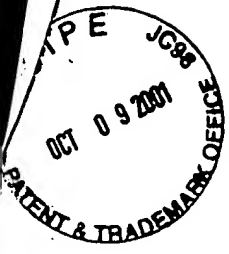
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Applicant: Shirley HEMAR et al
 Assignee: APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.
 Title: ALTERNATING PHASE-SHIFT MASK INSPECTION METHOD AND APPARATUS
 Serial No.: 09/876,955 Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
 Filing Date: June 7, 2001 Group Art Unit: 26211

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION –
 FILING DATE GRANTED**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on **August 14, 2001**, the following documents are enclosed to complete the filing of the above-identified patent application:

1. A combined declaration and power of attorney signed by the inventor(s) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (20 pages);
2. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted.

The United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account **50-1074**;

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| 2. Fees for claims | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Each multiple dependent claim (37 CR 1.16(d)) | \$**.00 |
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Total Completion Fees \$**.00

3. Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (Months) Fee for other than Small Entity

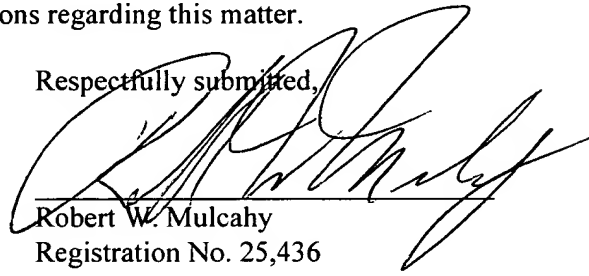
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

4. Late filing of original declaration or oath (37 CFR 1.16(e)) **\$130.00**
5. Total fees due from items 1-4: **\$130.00**
6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge total fees due and any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **50-1074**.

It is hereby respectfully submitted that the enclosed documents complete the filing of the above-named patent application and justify the filing date of **June 7, 2001**. Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 563-2726, if there are any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


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